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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 13, 2023

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents
Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Delsa D. Chapman, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent 
Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports

SUBJECT: EWIMS as a Strategy for Secondary School Improvement: Summer
Virtual Training Opportunity—Registration Open

[Michigan's Top 10 Strategic Education Plan](#) Goal 5 is to "Increase the percentage of all students who graduate from high school." The Early Warning Intervention and Monitoring System ([EWIMS](#)) is an [evidence-based](#), data-driven decision-making process that can be leveraged as part of a local school district's secondary school Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) framework to identify barriers to student success and implement systemic measures to support students in graduating. EWIMS examines the underlying causes of risk, matches student needs to interventions, and monitors student progress and the success of the interventions.

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is hosting a two-day virtual training on the EWIMS seven-step process. Registration for both days is required. School and district leaders are encouraged to consider attending this training to learn more about how EWIMS might be implemented in your school and/or district as a part of your continuous improvement initiatives to support and impact equitable outcomes for students.

EWIMS Virtual Training – Summer 2023:

August 15, 2023, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
[August 15 Registration Link](#)

August 17, 2023, 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
[August 17 Registration Link](#)

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Within the EWIMS process, schools use a continuum of tiered supports for students, each with demonstrated evidence of effectiveness. At Tier 1, schools implement evidence-based practices to support attendance, positive social, emotional, and behavioral well-being, and high course performance for all learners. At Tiers 2 and 3, EWIMS helps educators systematically identify students who are showing signs that they are at risk of dropping out of school. Fundamentally, EWIMS is an ongoing cycle of examining data and making decisions about supports and interventions to help students get back on track for graduation.

Additional resources can be accessed on the [MDE EWIMS Web Page](#). For questions regarding customized or in-person training, please contact MDE-EWIMS@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance
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